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SUBJECT: ARBATOV REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S ANNAPOLIS SPEECH

1. HARVARD PROFESSOR WILLIAM GRIFFITH HAD A SHORT MEETING WITH USA INSTITUTE DIRECTOR, G.A. ARBATOV, JUNE 7 AT ABOUT SAME TIME PRESIDENT BEGAN HIS ANNAPOLIS SPEECH. ARBATOV TOLD GRIFFITH HE HAD ALREADY READ ADVANCED TEXT AND THAT HE WAS "ENCOURAGED" BY THE SPEECH. HE SAID HE BELIEVED IT REPRESENTED AN "ADJUSTMENT" FOLLOWING THE SPEECHES AT THE RECENT NATO SUMMIT AND HE CONSIDERED IT MORE BALANCED THAN HE APPEARED TO HAVE ANTICIPATED. HE COMPARED IT FAVORABLY WITH THE WAKE FORREST SPEECH. HE MENTIONED THE HUMAN RIGHTS PORTIONS OF THE SPEECH BUT DOWNGRADED THEIR SIGNIFICANCE.

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2. COMMENT: ARBATOV'S REACTION IS MUCH MORE FAVORABLE THAN WE WOULD HAVE ANTICIPATED, PARTICULARLY HIS DISMISSAL OF THE PRESIDENT'S CRITICAL REMARKS ABOUT THE SOVIET SYSTEM AND THE LACK OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE USSR. WE DOUBT THE PRESS REACTION WILL BE AS RESTRAINED ON THESE POINTS. THE OFFICIAL PRESS COMMENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO IGNORE SUCH CRITICISM. MATLOCK

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